YOU CAN MAKE A PRETTY GRADUATION GOWN FOR \$2 OR \$3, SAYS WOMAN WHO HELPS GIRLS DO IT

(Editor's Note.—The writer of this article has made graduation gowns a study, and has helped dozens, yes hundreds, of girls

A graduation gown that cost Polly exactly \$2.87.

make beautiful creations for the great day at very little cost. In this article, written especially for

the girls and mothers who read The Day Book, she tells how you may combine beauty, economy and good sense in making the gown.)

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Elaborate commencement frocks are the greatest cause of heartbreak in the schoolgirls' world. They turn what should be the happiest festival of life into nothing more than an exhibition of vain feminine rivalry.

There is just one way to overcome this and that is to have every schoolgirl in America—rich or poor—make her own dress and to make it unlawful for her to pay more than \$3 for the materials which go into it.

The finest moment of my life will be when I win over all our schools to such a program. It can be done, for we are doing it this year at Washington Irving high school in New York and it is a great success.

For a beautiful, sheer graduating dress buy 3½ yards of thin white batiste at 35 cents a yard. This will be plenty, as it is very wide. The cost will be \$1.25. This leaves \$1.75 for lace, ribbons, ruchings and other trimmings. A pretty way of making this dress is in the new 'kerchief fashion.

This calls for a fichu, lace